

**Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh**  
**Department of Archaeology**  
**South Asia Tourism Infrastructure Development Project - SATIDP**  
**(Bangladesh Portion)**  
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**Dhaka-1207, Bangladesh**

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**Invitation (Re-advertisement) for Expression of Interest (EOI) for**  
**Project Management, Design and Supervision Consultancy (PMDSC)**  
**Services (Package No. DOA/SATIDP/S-01)**  
**for South Asia Tourism Infrastructure Development Project-SATIDP**  
**(Bangladesh Portion)**

1. Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh (GOB) has received a loan **2580-BAN(SF)** from Special Funds resources of the Asian Development Bank (ADB) towards the cost of **South Asia Tourism Infrastructure Development Project - SATIDP (Bangladesh Portion)**, and intends to apply a portion of the proceeds of this loan to eligible payments under the consultancy services for which this invitation for Expression of Interest (EOI) is issued. This consultancy services will be jointly financed by ADB and GOB. The terms and conditions of the contract and payments by ADB will be subject to the terms and conditions of the Loan Agreement, including the "Guidelines on the Use of Consultants by Asian Development Bank and Its Borrowers". Except as ADB may specifically otherwise agree, no party other than GOB shall derive any right from the loan or have any claim to the proceeds of the loan.
2. The project aims at developing and improving tourism related infrastructure in Bangladesh. The main objectives of the project are to: i) improve access, destination infrastructure and services in nature and culture-based key tourism sites located along a heritage-rich geographic corridor extending from north to the south in the western regions of Bangladesh; ii) build the capacities of sector agencies for sustainable protection and management (including organizational and financial) of natural and cultural heritage sites as well as tourism-related infrastructure and assets, tourism planning, coordination, monitoring and marketing; and iii) strengthen linkages between tourism and local population, and build the capacity of communities to enable them to obtain greater benefits from tourism.
3. Being selected as the Executive Agency (EA) for the project, Department of Archaeology (DOA) under the Ministry of Cultural Affairs (MOCA) now invites eligible consulting firms who have adequate (preferably five years) experience in project management, design and supervision activities to submit Expressions of Interest (EOI) for providing Project Management, Design and Supervision Consultancy (PMDSC) Services for "South Asia Tourism Infrastructure Development Project - SATIDP (Bangladesh Portion)".
4. The PMDSC package will involve anticipated 25 person months of international experts and 183 person months of national experts as key professionals. The firm will be selected through quality-and cost-based selection (QCBS) procedures in accordance with ADB's Guidelines on the Use of Consultants (April 2010 or as amended from time to time). The duration of consulting services contract is expected to be about 27 months commencing tentatively from the end of July 2012.

5. The PMDSC under the project will assist the Project Management and Implementation Unit (PMIU), to be based within the Department of Archaeology, Ministry of Cultural Affairs, in managing detailed design, supervision, monitoring of the project including the capacity development activities. The community tourism specialist and the marketing and promotion specialist will work with the Bangladesh Parjatan Corporation (BPC) under the guidance of the project management specialist. In addition, the scope of consultancy services will also include, but not limited to, the following:
  - i) A team of experts will assist the PMIU in setting up of the project management and monitoring systems; and assisting project site offices in the field and the Project Implementation Unit in BPC in managing and monitoring of the overall project progress and reporting.
  - ii) The experts in project management, monitoring, procurement, and financial management will provide support to define detailed program and work plans; procedures for coordination, overall management, and financial management; and project accounting, project performance monitoring system, and reporting; and design, installation and operationalization of new systems as required.
  - iii) The PMDSC will also assist the unit in BPC in "community participation and livelihood generation" and "marketing and promotion" activities. Moreover, PMDSC will assist the PMIU in the implementation of the Sustainable Heritage and Tourism Action Plan.
6. The PMDSC firm is expected to have expertise in participatory and contemporary training methodologies and approaches; sound knowledge of government policies, administrative systems and procedures; and expertise in design and supervision for improvement of cultural heritage sites. The consultant will be required to make own arrangements under the consultant's contract for appropriate English/ Bangla translation and interpretation service that may be required.
7. EOIs may be submitted by a firm, association, or joint venture (JV). An international firm, as a lead firm, associate or partner can only be nominated in one EOI. A national firm as a lead firm can only be nominated in one EOI. A national firm as an associate or partner can be nominated in more than one EOI. To avoid confusion and possible elimination after short-listing, lead firms of associations or joint ventures are strongly advised to confirm relationships (exclusive or non-exclusive) with selected associates or partners prior to expressing interest.
8. Interested firms should submit EOI in standard template for consulting firms (available for download from web address: <http://www.adb.org/consulting/toolkit-template.asp>) along with:
  - a) Cover Letter with authorized representative's name(s), address(es) and contact details of partners / associates (if any),
  - b) Agreement of Joint Venture or Association (if applicable), or an intention to enter into such agreement with clear indication of share of responsibility and business ,
  - c) Additional information / documentation on the following: i) Legal Status (Certificate of registration / incorporation, Trade License or Proof of other Registration such as- Value Added Tax (VAT), Taxpayer's Identity Number etc.), ii) Nature of business or operation, iii) Statement of years of similar, relevant and general experience; iv) Brief description of experiences in similar working condition, v) Annual turnover of last 5(five) years; and vi) Company Profile or Brochure.

9. Short-listing will be based primarily on the evaluation of information included in the EOI template, such as: (a) Management Competence, (b) Technical Competence, and (c) Geographical Competence of the firm or lead firm and associates or JV partners, if any.
10. EOI should be addressed to "Project Director, South Asia Tourism Infrastructure Development Project (Bangladesh Portion), Pratnatattya Bhaban, F-4/A, Agargaon, Sher-e-Bangla Nagar, Dhaka-1207, Bangladesh, E-mail: [pdsatidpbd@gmail.com](mailto:pdsatidpbd@gmail.com)". The EOI must be submitted in hardcopies to the above address in sealed envelope containing original (to be identified clearly on top of envelop) and 5 (five) copies. In addition, the EOI may be submitted electronically through ADB-CSRN web site ("<http://csrn.adb.org>" and/or "<http://cms-csrn.adb.org>"). Submission deadline for both electronic and hardcopy is 3:00 pm Bangladesh time (GMT+6) on 11 January 2012. The firms / entities who had previously submitted EOI may choose at their discretion to submit either: (i) only "Letter of confirmation of their continued interest (EOI)" along with additional document(s), if any, or (ii) new EOI (cover letter should be clear about fresh submission).
11. Further information such as: outline Terms of Reference (Appendix - 1) and supplementary information on the project would be available for download in ADB-CSRN web site and also available at the office of the undersigned during regular office hours.
12. The authority reserves the right to accept or reject any or all EOIs or cancel the selection process without assigning any reason whatsoever.

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